Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 10:31 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Spring Into Summer Safely Festival

From: Debra McGhan [mailto:northamericaoutdoorinstitute@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, May 13, 2008 9:14 PM
To: debramcghan@yahoo.com
Subject: Spring Into Summer Safely Festival

Get ready for all your summer adventures. Join the North America Outdoor Institute for a two-day Kick-Off Summer Safely Festival in Wasilla, Alaska, May 31 and June 1. There will be lots of professionals on hand to share great tips and tricks so you and your children can stay out of the emergency room... or worse... and enjoy the best summer ever!

What: Kick Off Summer Safely Festival – Hands-on Games, Activities, Contests and Prizes
Who: Open to everyone (6-years and up) Families and Outdoor Enthusiasts of all ages interested in learning more about our environment & simple safety practices
When: May 31-June 1 - 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Daily - Kick-off and Orientation at **Denali Gymnastics and Fitness 10 a.m. Saturday**
Where: Wasilla – Denali Gymnastics, Iditapark, Wasilla Lake, Wasilla Sports Complex, Grouse Ridge Shooting Range and Wasilla Airport
Cost: **FREE**
Why?: To learn how you can see and do more safely in Alaska this summer

This fun-filled festival will feature lots of practical tips along with hands-on games and activities. All participants will earn a chance to win great prizes.

Learn practical tips on

- ATV Riding
- Aircraft Awareness
- Bicycle safety
- Firearm safety
- Orienteering - Safe travel and route selection
- Plants and Animals of Alaska
- Summer Fitness
- Emergency Outdoor Medical Care
- Water Safety

Note: Activities will be held at various locations and times. Participants will receive a map and passport to complete the event following registration. Win sponsor donated prizes as you take part in exciting hands-on games and activities that allow you to learn, sharpen and test your skills.

Programs provided by the professionals at Dean Cummings' H2O Guides, the Mat-Su Dive Rescue Team, Alaska Safe Boating, Denali Gymnastics and Fitness, Alaska Bicycle Center ATV/Bicycle safe Riders, FAA professionals and veteran pilots, NRA/Eddie Eagle firearm

specialists, and Red Cross First Aid professionals.

To learn more, become a sponsor or sign-up email info@naoiak.org or contact Debra McGhan at 907-376-2898.

Debra McGhan, NAOI Executive Director
Office: 907-376-2898; Mobile: 907-982-0332
www.naoiak.org
This 'NAOI Outdoor Safety Education Program' made possible by the Mat-Su Health Foundation, the Alaska Division of Parks & Outdoor Recreation, the Elihu Foundation, Dean Cummings' H2O Guides' and our many generous sponsors, supporters and AWESOME volunteers!

PRA_GSP01_0017762

Unknown

From: carolyn V Brown [cvbrown1937@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 8:42 AM
To: Palin; Sarah H (GOV)
Cc: Rehfeld; Karen J (GOV)
Subject: Community Health Centers

It is abundantly clear to many of us who work in health care that a significant number of Alaskans are very marginalized when it comes to health care and even access to health care..

This includes the "working poor", homeless people, the non-working poor, seniors across the state, children who fall through the gaps in coverage, those people that some health care providers just don't want to see anymore, and those with no insurance.

It is clear that emergency departments are not the answer to this health unavailability.

Community Health Centers can provide a most important interim management in the short haul until something can be done about access to health care and universal coverage. I worked at the first Neighborhood Health Center when it was created in Anchorage and have been involved with this modality of care over the years. I strongly support this access to health care and ask that you give your focused attention and support for this funding.

Thank you for this consideration.

carolyn V Brown MD MPH
1640 Second Street
Douglas Alaska 99824 USA

907-364-2726
907-364-2727 fax
907-321-0784 cellular

cvbrown1937@yahoo.com

Unknown

From: Balash, Joseph R (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JRBALASH]
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 11:49 PM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Hughes; Rosanne D (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Irwin; Tom E (DNR)
Subject: Re: Gasline

Mike Ross continues to make my case: he hates us! There was zero hint that Hickel was critical of AGIA. He made it sound like a Hickel goes to China story. Ross seems to be following a Wesley Loy pattern here: if it isn't sexy, it isn't news. He seems willing to play gotcha rather than report the facts.

----- Original Message -----

From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)

To: ExternalEmailgsp; Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Cc: Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Irwin, Tom E (DNR)

Sent: Wed May 14 22:30:49 2008

Subject: Re: Gasline

Governor-

Channel 2 wanted an interview during your budget meetings. Commissioner Galvin responded to the same LNG questions on Monday. When I contacted Joe Balash about it today he said we had nothing new to offer Channel 2 as far as a message. Mike Ross was fine with that. They ran Galvin's comments for 2 days Monday and Tuesday.

Sharon

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Cc: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Irwin, Tom E (DNR)

Sent: Wed May 14 22:14:56 2008

Subject: Gasline

It was reported tonight on ktuu that I wasn't available for the interview they requested today. I did not know they had requested any interview to answer Hickel's complaint about AGIA. If I wasn't available then perhaps an AGIA person should have complied with their request. No doubt I'll be asked by them tomorrow to comment anyway - so I'd rather have spoken to them today so we didn't have that "no comment" response.

PRA_GSP01_0017764

Also, Kris: are Joey and/or Kristan and/or DNR folks familiar with MatMaid going to respond to Samuels' and other leggies' audit findings of today?

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

PRA_GSP01_0017765

Unknown

From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SWLEIGHOW]
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 10:31 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Hughes; Rosanne D (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Irwin; Tom E (DNR)
Subject: Re: Gasline

Governor-

Channel 2 wanted an interview during your budget meetings. Commissioner Galvin responded to the same LNG questions on Monday. When I contacted Joe Balash about it today he said we had nothing new to offer Channel 2 as far as a message. Mike Ross was fine with that. They ran Galvin's comments for 2 days Monday and Tuesday.

Sharon

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Cc: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Irwin, Tom E (DNR)

Sent: Wed May 14 22:14:56 2008

Subject: Gasline

It was reported tonight on ktuu that I wasn't available for the interview they requested today. I did not know they had requested any interview to answer Hickel's complaint about AGIA. If I wasn't available then perhaps an AGIA person should have complied with their request. No doubt I'll be asked by them tomorrow to comment anyway - so I'd rather have spoken to them today so we didn't have that "no comment" response.

Also, Kris: are Joey and/or Kristan and/or DNR folks familiar with MatMaid going to respond to Samuels' and other leggies' audit findings of today?

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

PRA_GSP01_0017766

Unknown

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 10:16 PM
To: Hughes; Rosanne D (GOV)
Subject: Re: Revised AGIA op-ed with your edits

Thanks Rosanne. I'll finish tweaking this tomorrow on a hard copy in the office.

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: "Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV)" <rosanne.hughes@alaska.gov>

Date: Wed, 14 May 2008 18:24:40

To:ExternalEmailgsp <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: Revised AGIA op-ed with your edits

Governor, I have printed this off and it's waiting for you in the office. Wanted to send it to you via e-mail as well.

Privileged or Personal Material Redacted

PRA_GSP01_0017767

Unknown

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 10:15 PM
To: Hughes; Rosanne D (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Cc: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Irwin; Tom E (DNR)
Subject: Gasline

It was reported tonight on ktuu that I wasn't available for the interview they requested today. I did not know they had requested any interview to answer Hickel's complaint about AGIA. If I wasn't available then perhaps an AGIA person should have complied with their request. No doubt I'll be asked by them tomorrow to comment anyway - so I'd rather have spoken to them today so we didn't have that "no comment" response.

Also, Kris: are Joey and/or Kristan and/or DNR folks familiar with MatMaid going to respond to Samuels' and other leggies' audit findings of today?

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

PRA_GSP01_0017770

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 2:56 PM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 2:04 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Alice Themes

address: 5579 State Rd Wadsworth OH 44281

MESSAGE:

Congratulations on your new baby. You will enjoy the differences this child has from other children. And when he is old enough, you will have lots of fun with Special Olympics.

Our kids really shine when participating in sports, and sports has so much to teach all of us.

My "baby" is 35, and I'm still enjoying watching him achieve and grow.

Best wishes to all of you,

Alice

athemes@hotmail.com

PRA_GSP01_0017771

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 1:57 PM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 1:48 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Steven Bryant

address: 130 Northbay Place Madison MS 39110

6015198441

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin,

Congratulations on the birth of your son! 19 years ago, my wife Elizabeth and I welcomed our first born, Steve, Jr. to the world. Like Trig, "Stevo" has Downs.

I'm sure you have been swamped with love, well-wishes, and even many well intended but unhelpful cliches.

What I most want to say to you is "Congratulations!" In Trig, you have so much joy, so much fun, so many incredible blessings in store for you that other parents simply cannot begin to imagine. And, (I say this a parent and a Presbyterian Minister) Trig is going to teach you so many blessed lessons about the love of God.

Congratulations! What a great blessing you have been given.

In Christ,

Rev. Steven S. Bryant

PRA_GSP01_0017772

Grace Chapel Evangelical Presbyterian Church

Madison, Mississippi

www.gracegc2.com

steve@gracegc2.com

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 1:52 PM
To: Spencer; Kari L (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Budget

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 11:05 AM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Budget

Web mail from: Ms. Marianne Elson Griffith

address: 5041 West 84th Ave Anchorage AK 99502

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin,

I am writing concerning our water supply in west, south Anchorage. We, as a small community group, have been working to keep our well water supply safe for ourselves and our families. A developement down in a used gravel pit has been started nearby and we have good reason to believe

PRA_GSP01_0017774

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 3:08 PM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: [Research Matters] Research Matters No. 31

From: iser_publications-bounces@lists.uaa.alaska.edu [mailto:iser_publications-bounces@lists.uaa.alaska.edu] **On Behalf Of** ISER Research Announcements
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 2:47 PM
To: ISER_Publications@lists.uaa.alaska.edu
Subject: [Research Matters] Research Matters No. 31

ISER Research Matters is our effort to quickly let Alaskans know about research findings from the Institute of Social and Economic Research (ISER), at the University of Alaska Anchorage. We post these on our Web site and distribute them by e-mail. If you'd like to be removed from or added to our e-mail list, send us a message at ResearchMatters@uaa.alaska.edu

ISER Research Matters No.31. Fuel Costs, Migration, and Community Viability
May 12, 2008

Recent rapid increases in fuel costs have focused attention on migration and the viability of remote rural Alaska communities. This report reviewed existing studies and data sources relating to the economic and social viability of remote rural Alaska communities.* We looked for possible linkages between high fuel costs and migration.

Our review indicates the following:

- Migration from smaller places toward larger places is an ongoing phenomenon that is more noticeable when birth rates drop;
- There is no systematic empirical evidence that fuel prices, by themselves, have been a definitive cause of migration;
- The pursuit of economic and educational opportunities appear to be a predominant cause of migration;
- Currently available survey data are not sufficient to definitively determine other reasons for migration, which could include concerns about public safety and/or alcohol abuse;
- Most of the survey data pre-date the latest rapid increase (2006-2008) in fuel prices.

We suggest several ways that better data could be collected on community viability and the reasons for migration.

We conclude that fuel costs matter, but they do not seem to be a definitive driver of migration. However, because migration appears to be related to earnings, the people who are hardest hit by high fuel costs may be least able to afford to move. The problem of high fuel costs is an urgent challenge that needs to be addressed, irrespective of the complex effects of fuel prices on migration.

*Some of these studies are difficult to find, so we scanned them and posted the PDF files on our Web site together with the final report.

PRA_GSP01_0017775

Unknown

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 1:44 PM
To: Colberg; Talis J (LAW)
Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Drue Pearce

Says to sue the feds.

Sounds good.

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

PRA_GSP01_0017776

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 11:29 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 3:28 AM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Gregory Coulombe

address: 104R Fordway Ext. Derry AK 03038

603-340-4923

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin,

My wife and I would just like to congratulate you and your family on your newest little boy. Your strength and conviction is a inspiration to all. My wife and I lost our first daughter to Trisomy 18 six years ago and we share the same pro-life values as you do. You can read her story at www.AChildOfTheLight.com. God Bless you and your family.

In His Service,

Greg Coulombe

Founder of "Pro-Life Men of America"

www.prolifemen.org

greg@prolifemen.org

PRA_GSP01_0017777

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 11:25 AM
To: Spencer; Kari L (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Seniors

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Tuesday, May 13, 2008 10:53 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Seniors

Web mail from: Ms. Teisha Simmons

address: 341 Carlton Dr. Fairbanks AK 99701

907-479-5144

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin,

First, congratulations on the wonderful addition of Trig to your amazing family. What a blessing for your family and for him.

Regarding business, I am writing to express my support for the Capital Budget request of $250,000 that will greatly assist individuals with disabilities in selecting the appropriate assistive technology that will enable them to live and participate in their communities independently.

I can speak personally to the significance of such funds. I was injured in a car accident in 1992 at the age of 15, and as a result, became paralyzed from the shoulders down. For two years after my accident, I experienced severe depression as I was very limited in what I could do. However, one day a staff member from the Fairbanks Center for Independent Living called and said that they had just purchased a head mouse (a computer program in which one can use a pc with head movements) and asked if I would like to try it for a week. I agreed, and from that point on, my life improved drastically. Using a head mouse, I graduated from high school as valedictorian, received a bachelor's degree and master's degree from UAF, and am now faculty there. I take great pride that I am a contributing taxpayer. I could have easily been a quadriplegic who resided in a nursing home at the expense of the State, but instead am thankful everyday of my life that I live in a period where the necessary resour

ces for my success are available to me.

PRA_GSP01_0017778

The difference that adaptive equipment makes in the lives of those with disablities is of such importance to the potential for success. I hope you will support the CILs request of Capital funding of $250,000.

Respectfully,

Teisha Simmons

Fairbanks, AK

teisha.simmons@live.com

PRA_GSP01_0017779

Unknown

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 10:51 AM
To: Katz; John W (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Hughes; Rosanne D (GOV)
Cc: Lloyd; Denby S (DFG); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Colberg; Talis J (LAW); Bishop; Samuel T (GOV)
Subject: Re: Polar Bears/Secretary's talking points

Rosanne/sharon- let's make sure presser is ready to go and that it incorporates katz' comments below.

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: "John Katz" <jwkatz@ALASKADC.org>

Date: Wed, 14 May 2008 14:21:00

To:"Michael A (GOV) Nizich" <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>,"Rosanne D (GOV) Hughes" <rosanne.hughes@alaska.gov>,"ExternalEmailgsp" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Cc:"Denby S (DFG) Lloyd" <denby.lloyd@alaska.gov>,"Kristina Y (GOV) Perry" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>,"Sharon W (GOV) Leighow" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>,"Talis J (LAW) Colberg" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>,"Sam Bishop" <sbishop@ALASKADC.org>

Subject: RE: Polar Bears/Secretary's talking points

The Secretary's speech, which was also promised = to the governor, is still in process. We will get it as soon as the = final changes have been made.

If I can help you with the draft press release, = please let me know. Privileged or Personal M

Privileged or Personal Material Redacted

John W. = Katz

Director of = State/Federal Relations

and Special = Counsel to the Governor

=

<mailto:jwkatz@alaskadc.org> jwkatz@alaskadc.org

(202)624-5858

PRA_GSP01_0017780

>>> On 5/14/2008 at 2:08 PM, in message = <D9356D6DE8D93140A51BC992BA53CB0E5AE160
@SOAANCMSG03.soa.alaska.gov>, = "Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV)" <rosanne.hughes@alaska.gov>
wrote:

Thank you, = John. We appreciate it.

Rosanne Hughes=

Press Secretary and Communications = Director

(907) 269-7450

From: John Katz [mailto:jwkatz@AL= ASKADC.org]

Sent: = Wednesday, May 14, 2008 10:02 AM

To: Nizich, Michael A (GOV); ExternalEmailgsp

Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Hughes, Rosanne D = (GOV); Colberg, Talis J = (LAW); Bishop, Samuel T = (GOV); Lloyd, Denby S (DFG); = Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)

= Subject: Polar Bears/Secretary= 's talking points

Attached are the Secretary's talking points, together with an = explanation of how his decision will affect oil and gas development. = As you will note, he has also tried to reduce concern about how his = decision will affect activities in the lower 48.

John W. Katz=

Director of State/Federal Relations

PRA_GSP01_0017781

and Special Counsel to the Governor

<mailto:jwkatz@alaskadc.org> jwkatz@alaskadc.o= rg

(202)624-5858

&n= bsp;

PRA_GSP01_0017782

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 9:23 AM
To: Wilken; Jessica M (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Oil&Gas

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Tuesday, May 13, 2008 6:19 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Oil&Gas

Web mail from: Ms. Patricia Pattee

address: 247 E. Kalli Circle, #2 Wasilla AK 99654

907-376-6395

MESSAGE:

Before I start, I would just like to say that I admire all you do and how you do it. You are a good example for our state.

I'm concerned about the discussions on the sale of gas to China and Japan. It would be a financial boost for Alaska, but what about the people of Alaska and the lower 48.

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 9:20 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Tuesday, May 13, 2008 5:47 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Christine Dillinger

address: 7931 NE Loowit Loop #7 Vancouver WA 98662

360-573-5230

MESSAGE:

Hello,

We want to congratulate you on the birth of your boy! What a blessing he is and will be to you and your family. Our daughter with DS is 7 now and we couldn't love her more. We have learned that DS does not define her- she is just the greatest gift. She has taught us what is important. Blessings to you all, Wayne and Chris Dillinger

wcdillinger1@msn.com

Unknown

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 8:50 AM
To: Katz; John W (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Cc: Hughes; Rosanne D (GOV); Bishop; Samuel T (GOV); Lloyd; Denby S (DFG); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: Secretary's Phone Call/Changed Time

Dirk called. He'll fax Katz his speech so we can use any of it in our presser. His folks will touch base with Katz on NPR-A issue also so we're tracking together on 10-yr moratorium idea.

I told him we're disappointed but can speak positively about his efforts and his acknowledgement that oil/gas isn't to blame for threatened listing.

Hans and Kevin Meyer were part of conversation also.

-----Original Message-----

From: "John Katz" <jwkatz@ALASKADC.org>

Date: Wed, 14 May 2008 12:13:25

To:"Mike Nizich" <Mike.Nizich@alaska.gov>,"Governor Sarah Palin" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Cc:"Rosanne (GOV sponsored) Hughes" <rosanne.hughes@alaska.gov>,"Sam Bishop" <sbishop@ALASKADC.org>,"Denby Lloyd" <denby_lloyd@fishgame.state.ak.us>,"Sharon Leighow" <sharon_leighow@gov.state.ak.us>

Subject: Secretary's Phone Call/Changed Time

I was just advised that the Secretary is now scheduled to call the = Governor at 12:30 EDT rather than the original 1:00.

I have attached Interior's polar bear press advisory for your ready = reference. Sam will cover the Secretary's press conference, and = we'll report back on that. The Secretary's written comments will be = posted on the web at approximately 2:40 EDT.

John W. = Katz

Director of = State/Federal Relations

and Special = Counsel to the Governor

=

<mailto:jwkatz@alaskadc.org> jwkatz@alaskadc.org

PRA_GSP01_0017785

(202) 624-5858

PRA_GSP01_0017786

Unknown

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 8:06 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Todd
Subject: Re: May 16

I'd love to!

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>

Date: Wed, 14 May 2008 08:06:29

To:ExternalEmailgsp <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Cc:"Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Subject: RE: May 16

Governor,

The AK Women's Gold Nugget Triathlon is this Sunday, May 18. I talked directly with the contact Betsy Wilson. She said it's a record setting year with 553 first timers - this event is just exploding. They would love to have you shoot the starter gun if you're available.

Sunday, May 18

9:00 a.m.

Bartlett High School

Janice

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Monday, May 05, 2008 7:50 AM

PRA_GSP01_0017787

To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)

Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: Re: May 16

J-pls find out when the women's triathalon is - 2500 women participate-
pls ask if they want me to shoot the starter gun or something as I
support that event

Sent from my BlackBerry(r) device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Mon, 5 May 2008 15:26:50

To:"Janice Mason" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>

Cc:"Kris Perry" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>,"Todd" <fek9wnr@yahoo.com>

Subject: May 16

Perhaps Todd/First Family could do friday's 7pm event if cancer society
is expecting me/us, pls sched on my cal a 6pm event that I've been
invited to.

Sent from my BlackBerry(r) device from Cellular One

PRA_GSP01_0017788

Unknown

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 6:14 AM
To: Katz; John W (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Cc: Hughes; Rosanne D (GOV); Colberg; Talis J (LAW); Bishop; Samuel T (GOV); Lloyd; Denby S (DFG); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: Polar Bear Announcement ***CONFIDENTIAL - ATTORNEY CLIENTPRIVILEGE***

Thank you. If Dirk calls we'll add that to the presser, acknowledging his courtesy/concern for Alaska?

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: "John Katz" <jwkatz@ALASKADC.org>

Date: Wed, 14 May 2008 08:34:14

To:"Mike Nizich" <Mike.Nizich@alaska.gov>,"Governor Sarah Palin" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Cc:"Rosanne (GOV sponsored) Hughes" <rosanne.hughes@alaska.gov>,"Talis Colberg" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>,"Sam Bishop" <sbishop@ALASKADC.org>,"Denby Lloyd" <denby_lloyd@fishgame.state.ak.us>,"Sharon Leighow" <sharon_leighow@gov.state.ak.us>

Subject: Polar Bear Announcement ***CONFIDENTIAL - ATTORNEY CLIENT

PRIVILEGE***

----- COFIDENTIAL/ATTORNE= Y CLIENT PRIVILEGE-----

I have just been told on a confidential basis that Secretary = Kempthorne will hold a press conference at 2:30 EDT today to announce his = polar bear decision. A press advisory will be issued at 11:30 EDT, = but it will not specify the subject matter.

At 1pm EDT, the Secretary will call the Governor at her Anchorage = office to discuss his decision. I'm advised that this will be the = first call he will make.

The Interior officials who contacted me could not discuss the = content of the Secretary's decision. However, I got the distinct = impression that he will decide in favor of a listing under the ESA. = Accordingly, I would recommend that we complete work on the draft press = release as soon as possible.

Information concerning the decision will be posted on Interior's = website at 2:30 EDT. In addition, I will be briefed and will send = you what I receive.

PRA_GSP01_0017789

The officials stressed the need for secrecy until the press conference= actually occurs.

P.S.

On Friday, the Interior Department will announce its decision = concerning the Northeast planning area of NPR-A. Apparently, the = decision will preclude oil and gas leasing in a sensitive area around the = northern portion of Teshepuk Lake while allowing leasing further = south. This should not be a problem for the oil industry, which has = shown no particular interest in the prohibited area.

John W. = Katz

Director of = State/Federal Relations

and Special = Counsel to the Governor

=

<mailto:jwkatz@alaskadc.org> jwkatz@alaskadc.org

(202)624-5858

PRA_GSP01_0017790

Unknown

From: Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=RHUGHES]
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 5:51 AM
To: Katz; John W (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Cc: Colberg; Talis J (LAW); Bishop; Samuel T (GOV); Lloyd; Denby S (DFG); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: Polar Bear Announcement ***CONFIDENTIAL - ATTORNEY CLIENTPRIVILEGE***

Thanks so much for the heads-up, John.

----- Original Message -----

From: John Katz <jwkatz@ALASKADC.org>

To: Nizich, Michael A (GOV); ExternalEmailgsp

Cc: Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV); Colberg, Talis J (LAW); Bishop, Samuel T (GOV); Lloyd, Denby S (DFG); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)

Sent: Wed May 14 04:34:14 2008

Subject: Polar Bear Announcement ***CONFIDENTIAL - ATTORNEY CLIENTPRIVILEGE***

----- COFIDENTIAL/ATTORNEY CLIENT PRIVILEGE-----

I have just been told on a confidential basis that Secretary Kempthorne will hold a press conference at 2:30 EDT today to announce his polar bear decision. A press advisory will be issued at 11:30 EDT, but it will not specify the subject matter.

At 1pm EDT, the Secretary will call the Governor at her Anchorage office to discuss his decision. I'm advised that this will be the first call he will make.

The Interior officials who contacted me could not discuss the content of the Secretary's decision. However, I got the distinct impression that he will decide in favor of a listing under the ESA. Accordingly, I would recommend that we complete work on the draft press release as soon as possible.

Information concerning the decision will be posted on Interior's website at 2:30 EDT. In addition, I will be briefed and will send you what I receive.

The officials stressed the need for secrecy until the press conference actually occurs.

PRA_GSP01_0017791

P.S.

On Friday, the Interior Department will announce its decision concerning the Northeast planning area of NPR-A. Apparently, the decision will preclude oil and gas leasing in a sensitive area around the northern portion of Teshepuk Lake while allowing leasing further south. This should not be a problem for the oil industry, which has shown no particular interest in the prohibited area.

John W. Katz

Director of State/Federal Relations

and Special Counsel to the Governor

jwkatz@alaskadc.org <mailto:jwkatz@alaskadc.org>

(202)624-5858

PRA_GSP01_0017792

Unknown

From: McBride, Rhonda (GOV) [rhonda.mcbride@alaska.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 12:19 PM

To: 'gov.palin@yahoo.com'; Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Crome; Cora J (GOV); Katz; John W (GOV); Monegan; Walt C (DPS); Lloyd; Denby S (DFG)

Subject: RADAR SCREEN: Ken Johns' AFN Fish and Wildlife Proposal

AFN FISH AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION PROPOSAL

At their May 13th full board meeting, AFN approved, in concept, a proposal to create a federally funded Alaska Native Fish and Wildlife Commission.

Ahtna CEO Ken John introduced this measure. It now goes to AFN's legislative committee for review and more work on the language.

I requested a copy but was told that AFN is not ready to release it.

Here are what appear to be some of the basic elements of the proposal:

- AFN will ask Congress to invoke "constitutional" authority over Native lands. The argument: state management of fish and wildlife is detrimental to the subsistence way of life.
- AFN will seek an amendment to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to create an Alaska Native Fish and Wildlife Commission.
- The Secretary of Interior and Secretary of Agriculture would work with the Commission to establish a co-management structure
- The Commission would be funded by the Interior Department – to provide support staff and fish and wildlife monitoring.
- The Commission would oversee fish and wildlife management on Native allotments and Native corporation lands. This includes regional and village corporations.
- Regional and village corporations could opt out – or restrict use of their lands.
- Initially, the Secretary of Interior would help to negotiate a co-management structure. Regional advisory councils would be part of this process. The state would be invited as a non-voting member.
- One a co-management structure is set up, a commission would be appointed, with one member from each of the 12 ANCSA regions.
- Under ANCSA, Native corporations received about 46 million acres – so combined with Federal land, this would remove a lot of land out of state control

Spoke with Ken Johns during a break. He said in the Ahtna region alone, his proposal would move about 2 million acres out of state control.

Johns said this proposal was born out of frustration over the state's handling of Nelchina moose and caribou hunts. He opposes ADF&G's income limits on Tier II Subsistence permits.

During the meeting, other AFN Board members voiced support, citing:

- Frustration over ADF&G enforcement

PRA_GSP01_0017793

- Claims that subsistence hunters are harassed by Fish and Wildlife Protection Officers
- Fees for permits that, with the high cost of fuel, have become increasingly burdensome.

What kind of legs this proposal will get remains to be seen, but it will no doubt increase pressure on ADF&G.

Rhonda McBride
Rural Affairs Advisor
Office of the Governor
Atwood Building, Suite 1700
550 West 7th Avenue
Anchorage, Alaska 99501
Tel: (907) 269-7451
E-Mail: Rhonda.McBride@alaska.gov

Unknown

From: McBride, Rhonda (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=RMFAUBION]

Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 10:02 AM

To: 'gov.palin@yahoo.com'

Subject: Energy Relief: Alaska Marketplace Competition

This year the Alaska Marketplace Competition will focus on:

1) Affordable Energy
2) Practical Use of Technology
3) Innovative Ideas to Reduce the Cost of Living\\
4) Investing in People
5) Rural Housing of the Future

The competition is seeking investors. Last year 43 finalists received $500,000.

Privileged or Personal Material Redacted

Rhonda McBride
Rural Affairs Advisor
Office of the Governor
Atwood Building, Suite 1700
550 West 7th Avenue
Anchorage, Alaska 99501
Tel: (907) 269-7451
E-Mail: Rhonda.McBride@alaska.gov

Unknown

From: John Katz [jwkatz@ALASKADC.org]

Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 10:02 AM

To: Mike Nizich; Governor Sarah Palin

Cc: Kris Perry; Rosanne (GOV sponsored) Hughes; Talis Colberg; Sam Bishop; Denby Lloyd; Sharon Leighow

Subject: Polar Bears/Secretary's talking points

Attached are the Secretary's talking points, together with an explanation of how his decision will affect oil and gas development. As you will note, he has also tried to reduce concern about how his decision will affect activities in the lower 48.

John W. Katz
Director of State/Federal Relations
and Special Counsel to the Governor
jwkatz@alaskadc.org
(202)624-5858

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=GOVERNOR]
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 1:53 PM
To: Spencer; Kari L (GOV)
Cc: Benedict; Nichole M (GOV)
Subject: FW: Budget

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 11:47 AM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Budget

Web mail from: Mr. Richard Payne

address: 1150 S Colony #360 Palmer AK 99645

MESSAGE:

I think with the increase in State revenues the State should increase local government funds support. The increase in funds should come with the requirement to decrease property taxes. Property owners have seen taxes increase significantly in the last 10 years.

Thanks,

Rick

rap@alaska.net

PRA_GSP01_0017797

Unknown

From: John Katz [jwkatz@ALASKADC.org]

Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 10:02 AM

To: Mike Nizich; Governor Sarah Palin

Cc: Kris Perry; Rosanne (GOV sponsored) Hughes; Talis Colberg; Sam Bishop; Denby Lloyd; Sharon Leighow

Subject: Polar Bears/Secretary's talking points

Attached are the Secretary's talking points, together with an explanation of how his decision will affect oil and gas development. As you will note, he has also tried to reduce concern about how his decision will affect activities in the lower 48.

John W. Katz
Director of State/Federal Relations
and Special Counsel to the Governor
jwkatz@alaskadc.org
(202)624-5858

PRA_GSP01_0017798

Unknown

From: Rehfeld, Karen J (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=KJREHFELD]
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 2:57 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); 'jbanta@mac.com'
Subject: Steller Secondary School

Dear Ms. Banta:

Thank you for your email to Governor Palin regarding funding for the Steller Secondary School in the FY2009 capital budget.

We will work with legislators and review each project prior to making any decision regarding individual projects. Public input is an important part of the budget process. The information you provided will be considered in our evaluation of the budget.

Thank you again for your comments.

Karen J. Rehfeld, Director

Office of Management and Budget

-----Original Message-----

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Sent: Monday, April 28, 2008 8:53 AM

To: 'jbanta@mac.com'

Subject: RE: Education

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Saturday, April 26, 2008 8:48 AM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Education

PRA_GSP01_0017799

Web mail from: Ms. Janice Banta

address: 6820 Teresa Circle Anchorage AK 99516

907-348-8803

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin,

I am writing on behalf of funds requested in the education budget to assist Steller Secondary School with upgrades to their library and computer capabilities. I recall meeting you at Denali Montessori Elementary School computer lab earlier in the year when you held a press conference promoting internet feedback to determine your budget priorities for the year. I appreciate the way you take citizen input into account as you make these difficult decisions.

The Denali computer lab is accomplishing wonderful progress in the reading capabilities of our students. There are many bright, capable students at Steller, however, who are trying to do their work with limited numbers of antiquated equipment in their computer lab. The library is a travesty, with a small collection of mostly outdated books. The school is nearly 50 years old and it is becoming increasingly difficult for students and staff to function with the problems that recur (electrical problems, water damage, etc.) in such an old facility.

Please help these exceptional Steller students reach their full academic potential by keeping this relatively small budget item in the final education bill.

Thank you for your efforts to prepare Alaska's students for their future.

Sincerely,

Janice Banta, Steller Secondary Parent

jbanta@mac.com

PRA_GSP01_0017800

Unknown

From: John Katz [jwkatz@ALASKADC.org]
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 8:13 AM
To: Mike Nizich; Governor Sarah Palin
Cc: Rosanne (GOV sponsored) Hughes; Sam Bishop; Denby Lloyd; Sharon Leighow
Subject: Secretary's Phone Call/Changed Time

I was just advised that the Secretary is now scheduled to call the Governor at 12:30 EDT rather than the original 1:00.

I have attached Interior's polar bear press advisory for your ready reference. Sam will cover the Secretary's press conference, and we'll report back on that. The Secretary's written comments will be posted on the web at approximately 2:40 EDT.

John W. Katz
Director of State/Federal Relations
and Special Counsel to the Governor
jwkatz@alaskadc.org
(202)624-5858

PRA_GSP01_0017801

Unknown

From: John Katz [jwkatz@ALASKADC.org]
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 7:02 AM
To: M Nizich; gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Cc: Kris Perry; Rosanne Hughes; Talis Colberg; Sam Bishop; Denby Lloyd; Sharon Leighow
Subject: Re: Polar Bear Announcement ***CONFIDENTIAL - ATTORNEY CLIENTPRIVILEGE***

Good idea. I would recommend that we do so but not get too much into the content of your conversation, except for the points in DOI's press release.

John W. Katz
Director of State/Federal Relations
and Special Counsel to the Governor
jwkatz@alaskadc.org
(202)624-5858

>>> On 5/14/2008 at 10:13 AM, in message <644577471-1210774602-cardhu_decombobulator_blackberry.rim.net-1922275257-@bxe167.bisx.prod.on.blackberry>, <gov.sarah@yahoo.com> wrote:

> Thank you. If Dirk calls we'll add that to the presser, acknowledging his courtesy/concern for Alaska?
> Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One
>
> -----Original Message-----
> From: "John Katz" <jwkatz@ALASKADC.org>
>
> Date: Wed, 14 May 2008 08:34:14
> To:"Mike Nizich" <Mike.Nizich@alaska.gov>,"Governor Sarah Palin" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
> Cc:"Rosanne (GOV sponsored) Hughes" <rosanne.hughes@alaska.gov>,"Talis Colberg" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>,"Sam Bishop" <sbishop@ALASKADC.org>,"Denby Lloyd" <denby_lloyd@fishgame.state.ak.us>,"Sharon Leighow" <sharon_leighow@gov.state.ak.us>
> Subject: Polar Bear Announcement ***CONFIDENTIAL - ATTORNEY CLIENT PRIVILEGE***
>
> ----- COFIDENTIAL/ATTORNE= Y CLIENT PRIVILEGE-----
>
> I have just been told on a confidential basis that Secretary = Kempthorne will hold a press conference at 2:30 EDT today to announce his = polar bear decision. A press advisory will be issued at 11:30 EDT, = but it will not specify the subject matter.

At 1pm EDT, the Secretary will call the Governor at her Anchorage = office to discuss his decision. I'm advised that this will be the = first call he will make.

The Interior officials who contacted me could not discuss the = content of the Secretary's decision. However, I got the distinct = impression that he will decide in favor of a listing under the ESA. = Accordingly, I would recommend that we complete work on the draft press = release as soon as possible.

Information concerning the decision will be posted on Interior's = website at 2:30 EDT. In addition, I will be briefed and will send = you what I receive.

The officials stressed the need for secrecy until the press conference= actually occurs.

P.S.
On Friday, the Interior Department will announce its decision = concerning the Northeast planning area of NPR-A. Apparently, the = decision will preclude oil and gas leasing in a sensitive area around the = northern portion of Teshepuk Lake while allowing leasing further = south. This should not be a problem for the oil industry, which has = shown no particular interest in the prohibited area.

John W. = Katz
Director of = State/Federal Relations
and Special = Counsel to the Governor
=
<mailto:jwkatz@alaskadc.org> jwkatz@alaskadc.org
(202)624-5858

Unknown

From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 4:07 PM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: FW: Scheduling

Governor - There are a couple of new requests that we just received.

Mon., 05.19 - 11:00 a.m. - Remarks 5-7 min. - Governor to deliver keynote remarks at the Wasilla Click It or Ticket Press Event. Location: Wasilla - Transportation and Industry Museum of Alaska in Wasilla. We have Budget scheduled for this day. The Lt. Governor is available to attend if need be.

Fri., 05.30 - 7:30 a.m. - Breakfast Meeting - USDA meeting in regards to rural Alaskans and our Agricultural Community. Also invited: AK Congressional Delegation; Lyda Green, John Harris, Denali Commission. Location: Captain

PRA_GSP01_0017804